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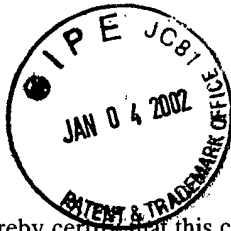
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Beyer and Böhm, "Labeling *Salmonella* Live Vaccine Strains with the lux Operon from *Vibrio Fischeri* Improves Their Detection and Discrimination from Wild Type," *Microbiol. Res.* 151:407-419 (1996);

Meighn, E. A., "Genetics of Bacterial Bioluminescence," *Annu. Rev. Genet.* 28:117-139 (1994); and

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